

THE WHITE TOPS

All amusement lovers will be intensely interested in the announcement that the great Sig. Sautelle and Welsh Bros. combined railroad show will exhibit in Clarksburg on the afternoon and evening of Sept. 20, circus day. The event will be more than an ordinary holiday; it will be the holiday of holidays. The proprietors of the Sig. Sautelle and Welsh Bros. circus present a decidedly the largest and greatest program of original, unique and thrilling feature acts to be seen today in America. Nothing like this display was ever before seen in all the world. Whatever your artistic preference, you will find plenty to interest, amuse and edify you in the great Sig. Sautelle and Welsh Bros. circus. There are thrilling blood-curdling aerial acts, in which you every moment expect to see the performer plunged to death; artistic and difficult equestrian performances; incredible athletic and acrobatic acts; phenomenal wild animal exhibitions; wild chariot, jockey and hurdle races; and funny frolics by the clowns. The quantity and quality of the features really stagger human comprehension. It matters not how big these shows may have been in years gone by, this season they completely overwhelm all past efforts. The Sig. Sautelle and Welsh Bros. circus has enjoyed a phenomenal growth solely because of the fact that the proprietors have always aimed to give the amusement public the very best. The great show comes to Clarksburg this year wonderfully strengthened in every department. Several notable additions have been made to the already large menagerie, and the seating capacity of the "big top" has been increased to 10,000. You should watch for the big free street parade at 10 a. m. on the above day and date. This pageant is said to be one of the most mammoth and majestic displays of the kind on earth.

TOLL ON BRIDGE AFTER THIS MONTH

The Clarksburg Industrial Company has decided to make its bridge a toll bridge beginning Oct. 1. The schedule of tolls has not been definitely decided on but will likely be one cent for a passenger, three cents for a single carriage and five cents for a double carriage or wagon. The toll keeper has not yet been selected.

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A HISTORIC VOLUME.

The Bible Used by the United States Supreme Court.

Kept securely under lock and key in the supreme court room at Washington there is a small Oxford Bible around which cluster many notable and historic incidents. It was printed at Oxford in 1799, first came into the court's service in 1808 and is believed to be one of the 20,000 imported by congress a few years before. During its court career every day on which the august tribunal has held session.

The great constitutional lawyers of the formative period of our government as a prerequisite of their admission to practice before this learned body blessed its material face.

Besides these great legal lights every associate and chief justice, with the exception of Chief Justice Chase, who had a Bible of his own, and every lawyer except Daniel Webster, sworn to practice before the supreme court has taken his oath of allegiance on this little book. It is a tradition of the court that when Daniel Webster came before this high tribunal in his first argument in the defense of the charged rights of his alma mater, Dartmouth college, against the legislative attacks of New Hampshire, by some strange inadvertence the oath was not administered. The tradition goes further, intimating that the judges were so impressed by the eloquence of his appeal, which stands out today as a classic in legal lore, that they either forgot or dared not mention his dereliction.

It is no wonder that this little Bible is so carefully preserved, endeared as it is with the memories of America's greatest statesmen and jurists. When a president is to be sworn the clerk of the court usually purchases a new Bible, and after the certificate has been affixed he presents it to the first day of the land—Leslie's Weekly.

THE CITY OF VENICE.

Its Peculiar Site and How It Came to Be Selected.

The city of Venice is approached from behind by a railroad constructed over a stretch of swamp. Out beyond its swamp was another swamp which was a little higher. It had been out of the water longer and had caught much seaweed, sand, shells and sediment to be fit for birds to nest on. There was one island called the Rialto, which was really quite secure, and around this one there were said to be about seventy-five or eighty other islands, which today are occupied by the city of Venice. Some of these were originally not islands at all. They were mere high places in a great bog, which, by the cutting of canals and by artificial means, were converted into more or less firm places for the erection of buildings. Without consulting history, one could almost guess that such an unfavorable spot as this was not selected as the site for a city out of free choice, and indeed it was not. Venice was started during the fifth and sixth centuries. The inhabitants of Padua and a few more north Roman cities, chased out by the Huns, the Goths and other tribes of barbarians, took refuge here in an Adriatic lagoon. The savages of Asia had no boats, so that the settlement was very safe and, leading an independent life, prospered here by itself during the middle ages at a surprising rate. It was a monstrous work to make the city secure from the sea. Shells and stones were brought from other parts. Dams and canals were built at great cost, and the residents finally got enough of dry land about them to feel moderately safe.

Electricity in Plants.

Electric currents in plants are due, says Kuntze, to the movements of water in the tissues, and not to differences of potential, existing independently. It was considered probable that vegetable electricity was due to biological processes, especially respiration and the consequent chemical changes. In experimenting with leaves and flowers electrolytically and on a large mushroom in an atmosphere of hydrogen it was found that the electric current was diminished, but never quite suppressed, owing probably to intramolecular respiration. "The electric current revives on air being re-aerated."

When Eggs Were Eggs.

Paddy Dolan went into a shop one to buy eggs.
"What are eggs today?"
"Eggs are eggs today, Paddy," replied the shopman, looking quite triphantly at two or three young lady customers who happened to be in the shop.
"Faith, I'm glad to hear you say so," replied Paddy, "for the last ones I got here were chickens."

Would Have to Be Crazy.

"Did you examine the house, sir?" asked the real estate agent.
"Yes," replied Kaustick, returning the keys.
"Well, we'll make the rent low to the right party."
"My dear sir, there couldn't be such a thing. No party who was right would rent that house."—Philadelphia Ledger.

"To Cadge."

"To cadge" is "to sponge on or live upon another." The "cadger" may assume to be more respectable than the plain beggar, but the difference between them is barely perceptible.—Chicago Tribune.

It cannot be too often repeated that it is not helps but obstacles, not facilities but difficulties, that make men.—Matthews.

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THE TOWER OF BABEL.

History Leaves No Doubt by Which to Estimate Its Height.

The exact date of the building of "Nimrod's Folly," as the Chaldeans say in alluding to the Scriptural tower of Babel (the Arameans speak of it as the Tower of the Confusion of Tongues), or the height to which it penetrated, plans will perhaps never be known. The date of the laying of the foundation of the famous structure is usually set at 2,217 years before Christ, or in the year of the flood, 101.

The expression of the sacred historian that its top was to "reach unto heaven" is now generally set down as a strong Hebrew phrase denoting a very lofty tower, but not necessarily meaning one that would reach to the abiding place of the Lord and his hosts. From several places in holy writ, The wall of the city of Canaan are described by Moses in similar phraseology. The spies sent out by him returned and reported that the cities of that country were great and were "built up to heaven." See Deuteronomy 1, 28:15, 1. There is a Jewish legend in the Talmud which tells us that God did not put a stop to the building of the tower until after it had reached a height of 10,000 fathoms, which is equal to nearly twelve English miles.

The sacred historians have not in a single instance left data upon which we can base a calculation of its exact height and general dimensions, and it is because of this omission that the imaginative orientals and other ancient writers have given such fabulous and extravagant traditions concerning it. Even St. Jerome alleges from the testimony of eyewitnesses who claim to have seen and examined the ruins of the skyscraping shaft that in his day (born 345 A. D.) it was over four miles high. While considering these untenable notions it may not be out of place to mention that other fanciful writers make its height range all the way from a single furlong to 5,000 miles in height. See Laver's Bible Cyclopedia, volume 1, page 259.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Cheap rings always look particularly cheap on toll worn hands.

An old quarrel is like an old wound—liable to break out at any time.

There is no difference: Lovers make up a quarrel because they enjoy it, and married people because they have to.

If you are satisfied with yourself you are conceited, and if you are not satisfied you are ungrateful. What is a man to be?

It is strange how a man's duty appears so plain to you and how he looks right at it, and has such poor eyesight he can't see it.

How well dressed, neat people are admired! Do you pay as much attention to your personal appearance as you should? Care in this particular pays good dividends.—Acheson Globe.

A Mutual Arrangement.

A certain poet made a good deal of money, but being extravagant, he was always in debt. Then he wooed, won and wedded a young woman of great wealth. Thereafter times were better with him. At breakfast during his honeymoon the bride said to the poet tenderly, "Does the fact that I have money, dearest, make any difference to you?"

"To be sure it does, my love," the poet answered.

She dropped a little, perplexed, alarmed.

"What difference?" she asked.

"Why," said he, "it is such a comfort to know that if I should die you'd be provided for."

"And if I should die?" said the bride.

"Then," he returned, "I'd be provided for."

Sensitiveness.

A French naval surgeon, Dr. Legend, says that of all the means of relieving sensitiveness only one is really effective. "It is to maintain the abdomen absolutely rigid from the moment of setting foot on the vessel. To do this a belt of ordinary tightness is insufficient. The abdomen must be bandaged with a layer of wadding and wide bands of dannel—in a word, absolute compression must be attained, care being taken to do the bandaging from below upward toward the chest."

Dr. Legend adds, "The important thing is not to be afraid to make the bands too tight; otherwise the complete suppression of the symptoms cannot be obtained."

Diplomatic.

A British nobleman who was sued for breach of promise declared to the jury that it was impossible for him to contradict a lady and that, therefore, he would not deny that he had made the promise, but he insisted that the lady had exaggerated the value of his affections and that that value was a fair question for a jury. The lady recovered 1 per cent. of her original claim, and the married nobleman declared that the lady's examination of her by his counsel was amply worth the money.

Parody.

"Ah, your language! Let see so difficult."

"What's the matter, count?"

"First zis novel eet say ze man was unhorsed."

"Yes?"

"Zen eet says he was cowed."—Pittsburg Post.

Not Jealous.

"Is she jealous of her husband?"

"Oh, no, not at all. She often permits him to sit in corners and talk to ladies who are not generally referred to as 'good old souls.'"—Chicago Record-Herald.

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THE MALE BASS.

How He Looks After the Eggs and the Little Fry.

"The female fish has no maternal instincts whatever," said the superintendent of the state fish hatcheries. "In fact, the fish is the most unhuman creature in existence—that is, of the animals which have any degree of intelligence at all."

"Perhaps it is well that it is so, for if the parent fish took care of their young as other creatures do the waters of the earth would be filled with them in a very short time. Under natural conditions not one egg in a million ever becomes a fish a year old. As an example, I have seen female brook trout go up into the spawning places and spawn their eggs and then turn around and deliberately eat them."

"For the past few years I have been much interested in experimenting with bass and studying their ways. Here the male parent has some maternal instincts apparently. He builds the 'nest' for the female, some little pocket with a gravel bottom protected from the strong current, but with plenty of fresh water, and then hugs or nudges the female into it. The eggs are spawned by the female, who swims away and leaves them to their fate. The male fertilizes the eggs and then for a few days watches over them, 'fanning' them occasionally to insure a circulation of fresh water and keeping off other fish who would devour the eggs. The male fish have been known to follow the little fry for several days, protecting them until they were able to care for themselves. 'I have seen a school of, say, 1,500 bass fry devoured in five minutes by a few sun bass or perch minnows. Under the case of the fish hatcheries from 50 to 95 per cent of the eggs become fish fry. How many of the fry live to be a year old or so after they are planted in the streams it is very hard to determine. It depends greatly upon conditions that no reliable estimates can be made."—Milwaukee Wisconsin.

THE CORK TREE.

Growth, Stripping and Preparation of Its Bark.

The methods in vogue in barking and harvesting the cork in Spain and Portugal are pretty much the same. The barking operation is affected when the tree has acquired sufficient strength to withstand the rough handling which takes place during this operation, which takes place when it has attained the fifteenth year of its growth. After the first stripping the tree is left in this juvenescent state to regenerate, subsequent strippings being effected at intervals of not less than three years, and under this process the tree will continue to thrive and bear for upward of 150 years. If the bark is not removed artificially, it will on maturity split and disintegrate itself. This is caused by the fresh growth of bark forming underneath.

The cork of the first barking is termed corcho bornio—bornio, or virgin cork. The cork of the second stripping is called pelas, or secondary cork. The work of removing the bark from the tree is performed in summer by men, who are paid at the rate of 2s. 6d. a day. The instruments used for the work are an ax, a lever and a hand saw for the cutting of transversal incisions. The first process through which the bark passes after stripping is that of boiling. This is sometimes done in the woods, but more frequently in the cork factory, in large, specially constructed caldrons, in which the bark is left to boil for upward of an hour. This seething process increases the thickness and elasticity of the cork and at the same time the tannin and other feculent substances generally existing in the bark are desiccated.—London Queen.

Honey in Madagascar.

Among the observances of the fan-droma, or New Year's festival, in Madagascar is the eating of mingled rice and honey by the queen and her guests. In the same country honey is placed in the sacred water of sprinkling used at the blessing of small children. Ancient religious ceremonies of the heathen were frequently employed honey, but it was forbidden as a sacrifice in the Jewish ritual. Viree walk or water it was prohibited by the Greeks as a libation to the dead. A honey cake was the monthly food of the fabled serpent guardian of the acropolis of Athens. Peruvian aborigines offered honey to the sun.

Railways in 1840.

A writer to the New York Mirror of 1840, in the course of a rhapsody on the railway, says: "Dueling and changing horses and separate rooms are at an end, our high literature must now be come woven with steam, our incidents must arise from blowups and love be made over broken legs, while here the novelist will have to record the falling in of a tunnel, the only chance left for a touch of the sublime." Trains then proceeded under wonderfully good condition occasionally at the awe inspiring speed of thirty-five miles an hour as a maximum.

Unreasonable.

First Shoe Store Clerk—Women are so unreasonable.
Second Ditto—That's right. A woman came in yesterday and said she wanted a shoe that was both comfortable and stylish.—Philadelphia Record.

Before Hairpins Were Invented.
Mr. Blinks—I see by this paper that hairpins were invented in 1643 and—Mrs. Blinks—Dear me! How do you suppose women buttoned their shoes and unlocked trunks before that?

Action is eloquence. The eyes of the ignorant are more learned than their ears.—Shakespeare.

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CERTIFICATE RE-EXTENDING CHARTER

Treasury Department, Office of Comptroller of the Currency.

Washington, D. C., July 25, 1905.

Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that The Merchants National Bank of West Virginia, at Clarksburg, located in the town of Harrison, in the County of Harrison, and State of West Virginia, has complied with all the provisions of the Act of Congress, "to enable National Banking Associations to extend their corporate existence, and for other purposes," approved July 12, 1882, as amended by the Act, approved April 12, 1902,

Now, therefore, I, Thomas P. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that The Merchants National Bank of West Virginia at Clarksburg, located in the town of Clarksburg, in the County of Harrison and State of West Virginia, is authorized to have succession for the period specified in its amended articles of association, namely, until close of business on July 25, 1925.

In testimony whereof witness my hand and seal of [SEAL] this office, this 25th day of July, 1905.

T. P. KANE,
Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.
Extension No. 911.
Charter No. 1530. 27july32td.

Examination

The third and last examination for teachers, under the uniform system this year, will be held at Clarksburg, Friday and Saturday, Sept. 15 and 16, 1905, beginning promptly at 7 o'clock a. m. on dates mentioned.

L. WAYMAN OGDEN,
County Superintendent
aug23td.

Notice

All accounts due the City hospital while under the superintendency of Dr. U. W. Showalter, are to be paid to Dr. J. B. Payne, treasurer of said hospital, Dr. U. W. Showalter having severed his connection with said institution, by virtue of sale of his interests.

DR. M. J. BARTLETT,
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aug24td.

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